TOWN OF EGREMONT

BY-LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE

September 18, 2019

MINUTES

Call to Order: 5:07

Attending: David Seligman, Eileen Vining, Marj Wexler, Ellen Maggio,

Mary McGurn

Absent: Jenn Frederick, Danile Jordan

- Review mission, met with George McGurn and redefine mission as "in the works"
- Mission will include adding new Bylaws such as Town's marijuana 3% sales tax and to include the Zoning Bylaw for Accessory Dwelling Units, ADU's.
- Will the mission be, continuing to review all existing Bylaws and adding all new Bylaws?

Three points of view were expressed regarding the mission of this committee:

- Referring to the re-formatted Town Bylaws, Mary suggests there are gaps and perhaps we make a priority list from these existing Bylaws.
- Eileen suggests there should be a citizens guide for creating a citizen's petition included.
- David suggests considering making a list of possible Bylaws by reviewing other Berkshire town's Bylaws where needed.

examples are: fees capital improvements

historical assets solicitation/canvassing

fire protection technology
abandoned vehicles environment
marijuana enforcement

All present stress the importance of communication

-Discussion regarding when the newly voted Bylaws would be available.

When will they be posted and when are they approved by the AG

- Eileen created a Table of Contents for the Town of Egremont Bylaws based on the reformatted Bylaws.
- David asks under what category should the new marijuana tax Bylaw be listed.

Under #6, taxation or perhaps a new category entirely, #18 What would the title be?

- Discussion about membership of Bylaw Committee: What is the ideal number? We should have more members.
- -Marj Wexler leaves at 5:50.
- Committee decides three issues to address:
- 1. membership
- 2. gaps in existing Bylaws
- 3. resume line by line review of Bylaws
- Next meeting: October 16, 2019 at 5:00
- Meeting adjourned